Lord Pelham wrote me yesterday a most kind letter, to say he had had a long talk with Lord Hobart concerning me, who is very much disposed to serve me, but, until the colony is settled, he can give no absolute promise. It must, therefore, be allowed *trainer* till after the definitive treaty.

Mr. Jackson, who was to have gone as ambassador to Constantinople, but was prevented by Lord Grenville (in order to favour Sir Sidney Smith's brother), is going as minister to Paris. I presume this Otto is to remain minister here; and yet it seems odd that neither we nor Bonaparte should not have somebody more showy to represent upon a peace. All the world is going down to the House to hear Mr. Windham abuse the peace. *Cm bono?* I doubt the Duke of Norfolk's going yet to claim the props of Cardinal Howard*

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I have had a very pleasant interview with Mr. Sullivan to-day. He advises me by all means to accept the vendue master's place at Trinidad, which he says must be good. I find

that island, not yet being sufficiently inhabited, is not to be put on the footing of our other colonies.